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COOLING ROLL, RIBBON-SHAPED **MAGNETIC**

MATERIALS, MAGNETIC POWDERS AND BONDED

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Attorney Docket:

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the examination of this application, please amend it as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3. (AMENDED) The cooling roll as claimed in claim 2, wherein the outer surface layer of the cooling roll is formed of a material having a heat conductivity lower than a heat conductivity of the structural material of the roll base at or around room temperature.

The cooling roll as claimed in claim **2**, wherein the outer

surface layer of the cooling roll is formed of a ceramic.

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